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THEO. P. HAUGHEY, Pres't. E. E. REXFORD, Cash CONDITION OF THE MARKETS

Values in Speculative Wheat Again Recede to a Somewhat Lower Level.

Corn Rules Heavy on Moderate Business-Oats Slow but Steady-Hog Products Quiet and Easier in Price.

MONEY, STOCKS AND BONDS.

Sharp Advance in a Few Specialties, with the General List Still Dull.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Money on call was easy, ranging from 5 to 7 per cent., the last loan being made at 512, closing offered at 112 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 6@712 per cent. Sterling exchange quiet and steady at \$4.8012 for sixty-day bills and \$4.8412 for demand.

The total sales of stocks to-day were 162,-087 shares, including the following: Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 17,800; Denver, Texas & Fort Worth, 3,398; Louisville & Nashville, 3,327; Missouri Pacific, 9,750; Reading, 15,400; St. Paul, 14,480; Union Pacific, 14,485; Western Union, 3,725.

The stock market to-day was dull and stagnant, as usual, for the general list, and the only features were supplied by a few stocks which were subject to special influences. The early portion of the day was dull and lifeless, but later there was some animation with a decided upward tendency in prices, and the list left off in many cases materially higher than last evening's figures. The sonsation of the forenoon was the manipulation of Sugar Refineries, in which there was supposed to be a squeeze of the "shorts" going on. The be a squeeze of the "shorts" going on. The price of the stock, however, while it opened up at 63, was soon sold down to 61, and while the borrowing demand was brisk and a premium of 4 per cent. was exacted for use of the stock at one time, and cash sales brought a premium of a fraction over those sold the regular way, there was heavy selling of the stock in the early trading at sellers' options of three days at as much difference as I per cent. from the regular sales. There are some people who believe that the apparent special interest is real, but others think that insiders have sold their stock and are borrowing for delivery until after the closing of the books to-morrow. Sales at sellers' options and also those for cash ceased soon after noon, and the stock became comparatively quiet, moving with the rest of the market. After Sugar settled down there was the usual drive at the coal stocks, though Lackawanna was the only sufferer, and that only to the extent of a fraction. The "shorts" began covering freely toward 1 P. M., and the grangers came again to the front, all making marked improvement under the lead of Burlington, which spurted up 11s per cent. Among the specialties there were several sharp advances, Oregon Short-line and Con-solidated Gas taking the lead, followed by Chicago Gas and Denver, Texas & Fort Worth and Tennessee Coal. There was a large order executed in Consolidated Gas and the traders bought on the theory that the embarrassment of the electric-light companies by the cutting of their wires by the city authorities must redound to the advantage of gas. The opening was steady, and prices remained so until the afternoon, when everything followed the grangers up, and the market finally closed dull but strong at about the best figures. Shortline is up 37g; Gas, 234; Denver, Texas & Fort Worth and Tennessee Coal, 114, and Burlington and Chicago Gas, 118 each.

Railroad bonds were more active, sales reaching \$1.530,000, and the final changes are confined generally to insignificant Government bonds were dull but firm. State bonds were entirely neglected. Closing quotations were:

Four per ct. reg. . 126
Four per ct. coup. . 127
Four and a ½ reg. 1045 C., St. L. & P. 15¼
Four and a ½ reg. 1045 C., St. L. & P. pref. . 38¾
Four and a ½ coup 1045 Fort Wayne 156
Pacific 6s of '95 . . 116 Illinois Central . . . 117½
Louisiana stp'd 4a. 94 s I., B. & W 9½
Missouri 6s 102½
Lake Eric & West. . 17
Tenn. new set 6s . 109¾ L. E. & W. pref. . . 63
Tenn. new set 5s . 102 Lake Shore 107½ Tenn. new set 68. 109% L. E. & W. pref. . . 63
Tenn. new set 58. 102
Mutual Union 68. 100½
St.L.&I.M.gen. 58. 87½
St.L.&I.M.gen. 58. 87½
St.L.&I.M.gen. 58. 87½
Adams Express. . 150
Alton & T. H. . . . 41
Alton & T. H. pref.110
Pullman Palace . 189
American Ex LONDON, Dec. 17.-Bar silver, 437sd per

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Bar silver, 951ec.

TRADING AT CHICAGO.

Prices Reach a Lower Level All Around in

Both Grain and Produce. CHICAGO, Dec. 17.-A moderate business market ruled dull. No important changes occurred and no special outside news was received to warrant a change in the course of the market. The market was chiefly a local one. The opening was rather firm. and while the near-by futures showed but little change, May advanced 4c, then became weaker and declined, with some fluctuations, 4c for May, ruled steady and closed about 3sc lower than yesterday. Cable advices were generally without special change. A private cable was received noting a stronger closing. It is claimed that freight engagements have been made by a railroad line for the shipment of 1,800 cars of flour during December west, of which 320 cars were contracted for during the last twenty-four hours. Corn trading early was of a light local character, but little interest being manifested, and fluctuations were limited to 14@12c range. The temper of the local crowd was rather bearish and transactions were at slightly lower prices. Offerings of all futures were rather liberal, and, in the all intures were rather liberal, and, in the absence of any support, the market ruled heavy the entire session. The market opened at about the closing prices of yesterday, easy with the exception of December, which sold up \(^1_4c\) on the wet weather. The market then receded \(^1_4\alpha\)\(^1_2c\), ruled steady and closed a shade lower than yesterday. Oats were slow and steady, and without feature of interest. In mess pork very little business was transacted, and the feeling was quiet and easy. Prices showed very little change. A quiet and easy feeling prevailed in lard, and prices ruled about .02½ lower. Short-rib sides trading was moderately active, though chiefly in contracts for May. Prices favored buyers.

Options.	Open'g	Highest	Lowest	Closing
Wheat-Dec	77	771g		763
Jan	77%	773	173s	7759
March	80	8018		
May	8238	82%	817	8179
Corn-Dec	323	88	3212	3258
Jan	31 4			3118
May	331s	3318	33	- 33
Dats-Dec				2058
Jan	2034			2038
May	2234	2234	225 ₈	2359
Pork-Jan	\$9.25	\$9.25	\$9.2212	\$9.25
March	9.4212	9.45	9.4212	9.45
May	9.65	9.65	9.6212	9.65
Lerd-Jan	5.90	5.90	5.8712	5.8719
March	5.9712	5,9719	5.9219	5,9219
May	6.05	6.05	6.0214	6.0212
Chortribs-J'n	4.70	*******		4.70
Feb	4.70	4.70		4.70
May	4.921a	4.9210	4.90	4.9910

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, full and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 76%c; No. 3 spring wheat, 67@68c; No. 2 red. 76%c; No. 2 corn, 32%c; No. 2 oats, 20%sc; No. 2 rye, 45%c; No. 2 barley, 58@66c; No. 1 flaxseed, \$1.35%c; prime timothy-seed, \$1.20@1.22; mess pork, per brl. \$8.75@9.25; lard, per pound, 5.87%c; short-rib sides (loose), 4.70@4.80c; dry-salted shoulders (boxed), 4.12%c. 4.25c; short-clear sides (boxed), 5@5.05c; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gal, \$1.02. Sugar, cut-loaf, unchanged.

On the Produce Exchange, to-day, the On the Produce Exchange, to-day, the butter market was unchanged. Eggs, 2012

rye, 15,000 bu; barley, 53,000 bu. Shipments —Flour, 17,000 bris; wheat, 28,000 bu; corn, 233,000 bu; oats, 153,000 bu; rye, 7,000 bu; barley, 19,000 bu.

AT NEW YORK.

Ruling Prices in Produce at the Seaboard's Commercial Metropolis. NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Flour-Receipts, 31,585 packages: exports, 4,048 bris, 45,433 sacks. Sales, 16,100 bris. The market was less active and easy. Corn-meal dull.

Wheat-Receipts, 22,000 bu; exports, 74,-594 bu; sales, 872,000 bu futures, 52.000 bu spot. The spot market was dull and easy; No. 2 red, 8412@85c in elevator, 8578@ 86c afloat, 85@863c f. o. b.; steamer No. 2 red, 8112c; No. 3 red, 8112c; steamer No. 3 red, 7412075c; ungraded red, 6912@9014c; No. 1 Northern, 93@9314c; No. 1 hard, 9612@ 9634c. Options were dull, 18@14c lower and weak; No. 2 red, December, 8412@8434c, closing at 8412c; January, 85@853sc, closing at 85c; February, 8614@8612c, closing at

at 85c; February, 86¹4@86¹2c, closing at 86¹4c; March, 87³8@87⁵8c, closing at 87³8c; April, 88@88¹4c, closing at 88c; May, 88³8@88³4c, closing at 88⁵8c; June, 87³8@87¹2c, closing at 87³9c.

Rye weak; Western, 60@62c. Barley weak; Western, 40@65c; Canada, 59@73c. Barley malt quiet; Canada, 77¹2c.

Corn—Receipts, 49,200 bu; exports, 122,023 bu; sales, 1,184,000 bu futures, 141,000 bu spot. The spot market was quiet and steady; No. 2, 42¹2@42³4c in elevator, 43¹2@43⁵8c atloat; ungraded mixed, 38¹2@43³4c; steamer mixed, 41@42c; No. 2 white, 43¹2@43³4c. Options were more active, ¹8@ ¹4c 4334c. Options were more active, 18@ 40 lower and weak: December, 4212@4258c. closing at 4212c; January, 4114@4158c, closing at 4114c; February, 4078@41c, closing at 4078c; March, 41@4118c, closing at 41c; May,

41@414c, closing at 41c. Oats-Receipts, 36,000 bu; exports, 100,572 bu; sales, 70,000 bu futures and 102,000 bu spot. The spot market was firm and quiet. Options were dull and firmer: December, 2834c; January, 12834c; February, 2834c; spot No. 2 white, 3112c; mixed Western, 272 30c; white Western, 302 35c; No. 2 Chicago,

Hay steady and quiet. Hops in fair demand and firm.

Coffee-Options opened steady at 5@15 points down, and closed barely steady at 10@15 points down; lower cables and quiet. Sales. 43,750 bags, including: December, 15.90@15.95c; January, 15.90@16c; February, 16@16.05c; March, 16.05@16.15c; April, 16.20c; May, 16.15@16.25c; July, 16.20@16.36c; September, 16.15@16.25c; October, 16.10@ 16.25c; spot Rio easy and quiet; fair cargoes, 1934e; No. 7, 1714c. Sugar-Raw dull and quiet; refined dull. Molasses-New Orleans steady. Rice steady and in fair demand. Cotton-seed oil easy. Tallow higher. Rosin steady.

Eggs quiet and steady; Western, 2314@ Pork quiet; mess, inspected, \$10.50@10.75; mess, uninspected, \$10.25@10.50; extra prime, \$9.50@9.75. Cut meats easy; pickled shoulders, 412c; pickled hams, 812@834c; pickled bellies, 538@558c. Middles quiet. Lard easier and quiet; sales, 350 tierces; Western steam, 6.25c, closing at 6.22½c. Options—Sales, 5,500 tierces; December, 6.05c; January, 6.18@6.20c, closing at 6.18c bid; February, 6.25@6.27c, closing at 6.26c bid; March, 6.32@6.35c, closing at 6.31c; May, 6.43@6.44c, closing at 6.44c; July, 6.56c, closing at 6.55c

Butter quiet and easy; Elgin, 29c; West-ern dairy, 9@18c; Western creamery, fresh stock, 14@27c; Western creamery, held stock, 10@18c; Western factory, 7@19c. Cheese quiet; Western, 8@10c.

TRADE IN GENERAL.

Quotations at St. Louis, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cincinnati and Other Points. ST. LOUIS. Dec. 17.—Flour quiet and dull. Wheat—An advance of 4c early, on favorable reports, was not long maintained and the close was ports, was not long maintained and the close was \(\frac{1}{3}\tilde{a}^{1}\) 4c below yesterday. No. 2 red, cash, 77\(\frac{1}{4}\) c;

December 77\(\frac{1}{4}\) c, closed at 77\(\frac{1}{4}\) c asked; March 80c, closed at 79\(\frac{1}{4}\) c, nominal; May, 81\(\frac{3}{6}\) \(\frac{3}{6}\) 81\(\frac{1}{2}\) c bid. Corn weak; No. 2 mixed, cash, \(27^{1}\) \(\frac{2}{3}\) 27\(\frac{1}{4}\) c; December \(27^{1}\) at 27\(\frac{1}{4}\) c asked; January 27\(\frac{1}{4}\) c; closed at 27\(\frac{1}{4}\) c asked; February. 27\(\frac{1}{2}\) c, closed at 27\(\frac{1}{2}\) c bid; May, \(29^{1}\) \(20^{2}\) \(\frac{5}{3}\) c; closed at \(29^{1}\) 2c. Oats dull and easier; No. 2, cash, \(19\) \(19^{1}\) 19\(\frac{1}{2}\) c bid; May, \(22^{3}\) sc. Rye lower at \(42^{1}\) 2c. Barley—Nothing done. Hay—Movement light; prairie. \(\frac{5}{3}\) \(\frac{3}{3}\) 25; Timothy, \(\frac{5}{3}\) at 13. Bran scarce and higher, at \(44\) 45c. Flaxseed firm but quiet; salable at \(\frac{5}{3}\) . Butter and eggs unchanged. higher, at 44 \$\alpha 45c. Flaxseed firm but quiet; salable at \$1.28. Butter and eggs unchanged. Corn-meal, \$1.55\alpha 1.60. Whisky, \$1.02. Provisions steady but very quiet. Pork, \$10\alpha 10.50. Lard—Prime steam nominal at 5.62\frac{1}{2}c. Drysalt meats—Shoulders, 4.25c; longs and ribs, 5.12\frac{1}{2}\alpha 5.25c; short clear, 5.37\frac{1}{2}\alpha 5.50c. Bacon—Boxed shoulders, 4.75c; longs and ribs, 5.75\alpha 5.87\frac{1}{2}c; short clear, 6\alpha 6.10c. Receipts—Flour, 3,000 br/s; wheat, 41,000 br; corn, 407,000 br; oats, 28,000 br; rye, 3,000 br; wheat, 16,000 br; corn, 480,000 br; oats, 23,000 br; rye, 5,000 br; barley, 3,000 br.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—Flour steady. Wheat firm and quiet. Options steady. No grade, 50255c; rejected, 55265c; fair to good milling wheat, 78285c; choice and fancy long-berry, 87292c; ungraded, in grain depot, 822884c; No. 2 red, December, 8042814c; January, 814282c; February, 8242834c; March, 842844c. Corn—Options a shade easier, with little or no speculation. Car lots weak and irregular; No. 4 mixed, in Twentieth-street elevator, 36c; No. 3 high mixed, in grain depot, 37c; No. 3 yellow, in grain depot, 364c; ungraded high mixed, on track, 384c; steamer No. 2 high mixed, on track, 384c; steamer No. 2 yellow, in grain on track, 38 2c; steamer No. 2 high mixed, on track, 38 2c; steamer No. 2 yellow, in grain depot, 37 2c; No. 2 mixed, on track, 40c; No. 2 yellow, in grain depot, 39c; old ungraded high mixed, in Twentieth-street elevator, 41c; No. 2 mixed, December, 39 39 2c; January, 38 2 38 4c; February, 38 2 38 4c; March, 38 4 39 4c. Oats—Car lots quiet but steady; No. 2 mixed, 28c; No. 3 white, 30 4 30 9c; No. 2 white, 31 2c; futures higher; No. 2 white, December, 30 4 3 31 4c; January, 30 10 33 1c; February, 30 3 3 was transacted in wheat and at times the 30%; March, 30% 311 sc. Eggs dull and irregu-2,300 bris; wheat, 3,200 bu; corn, 32,900 bu. Shipments-Wheat, 1,600 bu; corn, 1,200 bu;

oats, 9,300 bu. BALTIMORE, Dec. 17. — Wheat — Western quiet; Western No. 2 winter red, spot and December, 794 2792; January, 802 804c; February, 802 804c; March, 832 284c; May, 862 2 ruary, 80 \$80 4c; March, 83 2 84c; May, 86 2 2 86 4c. Corn active; Western easy; mixed, spot, 42 2c; year, 39 3c 39 4c; January and February, 38 3c 38 2c; March, 38 4 239c; April, 39 2 2 39 4c. Oats firm; Western white, 29 2 23 1c; Western mixed, 28 29c; graded No. 2 white, 30c. Rye dull; prime to choice, 57 2 60c. Hay steady; prime to choice timothy, \$13 2 13 50. Provisions quiet and steady. Butter—Western packed, 14 20c. Eggs dull at 23 24c. Coffee firm and unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 15.000 bris; wheat, 20,000 bu; corn, 135,000 bu; oats, 39,000 bu; rye, 600 bu. Shipments—Flour, 10,500 bris; corn, 18,000 bu. Saies—Wheat, 35,000 bu; corn, 95,000 bu.

000 bu; corn, 95,000 bu. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—May wheat made an early gain of 4e from yesterday's closing, on moderate receipts and a good demand for cash, which holds the latter so near to May as to make it unprofitable to buy cash wheat and put in store for later delivery. The movement from the country was not large in any section, and the arrivals, after taking out the shipments, were below the day's milling requirements, the receipts being 226 cars and 50 shipped. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, December, 78c; January, 784c; May, 824c; on track, 794c. No. 1 Northern, December, 754c; January, 754c; May, 804c; on track, 77c. No. 2 Northern, December, 72c; January, 724c; May, 77c; on track, 72a74c.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—Flour dull, Wheat— CINCINNATI. Dec. 17 .- Flour dull. Wheat-No. 2 red, 76@77c; receipts, 8,600 bu; shipments, 4,000 bu. Corn active but lower; No. 2 mixed, 32@34c. Oats firm; No. 2 mixed, 25c. Rye scarce; No. 2, 46c. Provisions quiet and unchanged. Whisky steady; sales 792 brls finished goods on a basis of \$1.02. Butter weaker. Sugar weaker. Eggs dull at 18@19c. Cheese

TOLEDO, Dec. 17.—Wheat dull and lower; cash and December, 81c; Jauvary, 815sc; May, 85c. Corn quiet and firm; cash, 331gc. Oats steady; cash, 221gc. Clover-seed dull but steady; cash and December, \$3.50; February, \$3.60. Recipts—Wheat, 7,537 bu; corn, 48.463 bu; oats, 254 bu; rye, 761 bu. Shipmeuts—Wheat, 11,273 bu; corn, 91,330 bu; cats, 14,600 bu; rye, 1,200 bu; clover-seed, 623 bags.

DETROIT, Dec. 17.—Wheat—No. 1 white, cash, 783c; No. 2 red, cash, 804c bid; December, 804c, nominal; May, 847sc. Corn—No. 2, cash and December, 344c bid. Oats—No. 2, cash, 234sc; No. 2 white, cash, 254sc. Receipts—Wheat, 11, 400; bu; corn, 9,500 bu; oats, 13,200 bu.

BOSTON, Dec. 17 .- There is a confident and trong tone to the wool market, without any very buoyant or speculative feeling. Sales have been buoyant or speculative feeling. Sales have been made to a good extent, and previous prices are obtained. Advices from other markets tend to sustain prices. In Ohio fleeces there have been sales of X at 32@33e, and XX is firm at 34c. Michigan X feeces will sell readily at 30e, but most holders are asking 31c. No. 1 wools are firm at 37@38c for clothing, and 39@40c for combing. In fine delaine there have been further sales of Ohio at 33½@36c, and Michigan at 34c, with 35c asked. Unwashed combing is selling at 29@30c for three-eighths and 28c for one-fourth blood. Territorial, Texas and California wools are moving at unchanged prices. In fornia wools are moving at unchanged prices. In pulled wools there have been sales of choice supers at 39 \$\alpha 40e\$, fair to good supers at 30 \$\alpha 35e\$, and extra pulled at 22 \$\alpha 28e\$. Foreign wools are

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Wool steady and quiet; domestic fleece, 32 & 38c; pulled, 27 & 38c; Texas,

Dry Goods.

the situation and the tengencies of the market, which was further illustrated by upward price changes. Agents advanced the following 40 a yard: Tickings—Cords AAA, No. 2 AA, No. 3 A, William BB and Swift River. Otis checks are firm at 8c a yard, and Bartel prints advanced to 312c; Allen's chambray prints opened at 6c.

Inot show it in their bidding. Track bids to-day ruled as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 red, 77c; No. 3 red, 72@75c; rejected, 65c for poor, to 70c for choice samples.

Corn—No. 1 white, 3515c; No. 2 white, 35c; white mixed, 3415@35c; No. 3 white, new.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Petrolenmopened strong at \$1.043, and moved up to \$1.05. Then the price declined to \$1.0414, but the market rallied sharply and closed firm at \$1.0478. Stock Exchange—Opening, \$1.043; highest, \$1.05; lowest, \$1.0414; closing, \$1.0478. Consolidated Exchange—Opening, \$1.0414; highest, \$1.0512; lowest, \$1.0414; closing, \$1.0512. Total sales, 441,000 bris. Turpentine lower and quiet at 433, 24414c. OIL CITY, Dec. 17.—National Transit certifi-cates opened at \$1.053s; highest, \$1.051s; lowest, \$1.043; closed at \$1.053s. Sales, 394,000 brls; clearances, 578,000 brls; charters, 14,127 brls; shipments, 89,746 brls; runs, 42,821 brls. PITTSBURG, Dec. 17.—Petroleum active and strong. National Transit certificates opened at \$1.0514; closed at \$1.0512; highest, \$1.055; low-

est, \$1.0478. CLEVELAND, Dec. 17.—Petroleum quiet; standard white, 110°, 7½e; gasoline, 74°, 9e; gasoline, 86°, 12e; naphtha, 63°, 7e. CHARLESTON, Dec. 17.-Turpentine nominal at 41 lec asked.

WILMINGTON Dec., 17.-Turpentine quiet at SAVANNAH, Dec. 17 .- Turpentine firm a

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Cotton—Market quiet; middling uplands, 10¹4c; middling Orleans, 10¹2c; sales, 165 bales. Futures opened and closed steady. Sales, 7.100 bales; December, 10.16c; January, 10.07c; February, 10.12c; March, 10.18c; April, 10.26c; May, 10.33c; June, 10.39c; July, 10.45c; August, 10.50c; September, 10.07c; October, 9.82c.

NEW ORLEANS Dec. 17.—Cotton—Market easy; middling, 9 11-16c; low middling, 9 lec; good ordinary, 9 5-16c; net receipts, 25,514 bales; gross, 27,263 bales; exports to Great Britain, 14.033 bales; to France, 11,228 bales; to the continent, 100 bales; coastwise, 2,154 bales; sales, 4,600 bales; stock, 331,491 bales. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 17.—Cotton quiet and unchanged. Sales, 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export, and included 6,100 bales American.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Pig-iron quiet and firm. Copper dull and easier; lake, December, 13.75c. Lead dull and firm; domestic, 3.90c. Tin quiet and about steady; Straits, 21.25c.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17.—Lead quiet; refined 3.60c, and desilverized worth 3.62-2c in a small way.

LIVE STOCK. Cattle Very Dull-Hogs Opened a Shade Low-

er, Later Ruled Firm, Closing Steady. Indianapolis, Dec. 17. CATTLE .- Receipts, 600; shipments, 350. Mar-

ket very dull and slow sales at	mean	prices.
Few held over for to-morrow.		
Choice export grades		024.75
Common to fair shippers Feeders, 900 to 1,100 ms	2.7	5@3.20 5@3.15
Stockers, 500 to 800 lbs	2.0	0@2.50
Good to choice heifers	1.5	$0@2.85 \ 0@2.25$
Fair to medium cows	2.2	0 2 2.60
Common old cows	1.0	0@1.30 0@3.75
Veals, common to choice	1.5	0@2.00
Bulls, good to choice	15.00	573.00 735.00
HogsReceipts, 7,700; shipmen		
ity fair. Market opened slow at p decline, later ruled firm and ch		

inchanged prices. All sold.	
Heavy	3.55@3.60
Mixed	3.45 @ 3.55
Aght	3.45@3.55
Heavy roughs	2.75 @ 3.30
SHEEPReceipts, 400; shipments,	225. But
lew on sale. Market strong on all goo	d grades.
Good to choice	4.5025.00
Fair to medium	
Common	2.50@3.50
Bucks, per head	2.50@4.00
	0.7

Elsewhere. NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Beeves—Receipts, 860, all for exporters and slaughterers direct, except one car-load. No trading in beef cattle. A fair market for dressed beef at 5½27½0 P m for poor to best native sides. Exports, 200 beeves and 2.600 quarters of beef.

Calves—Receipts, 350. Market dull and lower, with a limited trading at \$4.75@7.50 P 100 ms for yeals, and at \$1.65@2.75 for grassers and

Western caives.
Sheep-Receipts, 2,700 and 1,500 were carried over yesterday. Prices were firmly sustained for the better grades, but inferior and common dragged and closed weak. Sales were at \$40 6.40 \$7 100 ms for sheep, and at \$5.5007.60 for

Hogs-Receipts, 5,100. Nearly all for slaugh terers direct. Market steady at \$3,85@4.10 100 hs, an advance equal to 10@15c ₽ 100 hs. 100 bs, an advance equal to 10@15c ₱ 100 bs, CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—Cattle ¬Receipts, 275; shipments, 160. Cattle are steady and firm. Common, \$1.25@3; fair to medium butchers' grades, \$2.25@3.25; good to choice, \$3.50@4; good to choice shippers, \$3.90@4.25. Sheep—Receipts, 880; shipments, 190. Sheep are in light supply and firm. Common to fair, \$2@3.50; prime to choice. \$3.75@4.75; extra wethers and yearlings, \$5@5.50. Lambs are scarce and firm; medium to choice shipping, \$5.75@6; heavy, \$5.25@5.50; common to choice butchers' qualities, \$4.50@5.50; culls, \$4@4.25. Hogs—Barely steady. Common and light, \$3@3.60; packing and butchers', \$3.45@3.60. Receipts, 3,640; shipments, 1,100. CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,000;

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Cattle—Receipts. 7,000; shipments, 3,000. Market steady: beeves, \$2,70 @5,25; stockers and feeders. \$2@3; cows, bulls and mixed, \$1@2.95; bulk, \$2@2.40; Texas cuttle. \$1.50@2.80. Hogs — Receipts, 25,000; shipments, 7,000. Market steady; mixed, \$3.45@3.70; heavy, \$3.50@3.70; light, \$3.50@3.75; skips, \$3@3.40. Sheep — Receipts, 8,000; shipments, 3,000. Market 10c lower; natives, \$3.55.50; Western corn-fed, \$4.50.55.25; Texans, \$3.50.54.10;

lambs, \$4.90@6.50. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; shipments, none. The market was strong. Good to fancy native steers, \$4.20@4.25; fair to good native steers, \$3.25@3.30; stockers and feeders, \$1,80@2.10; range steers, \$2@3.10. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000; shipments, none. The market was steady. Fair to choice heavy, \$3.50 @3.60; packing grades. \$3.40@3.55; light, fair to

best, \$3.40@3.60. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; shipments, none. The market was firm. Fair to choice, \$3.4024.90. Lambs, \$4.5025,40.

EAST LIBERTY. Dec. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; shipments, 660. The market was slow. Prime, \$4.10 \(\pi 4.35 \); good, \$3.40 \(\pi 3.70 \); fair, \$2.60 \(\pi 3.25 \); bulls, stags and fat cows, \$1.50 \(\pi 2.50 \). No cattle shipped to New York to-day. Hogs—Receipts, 1,100; shipments, 1,300. The market was slow. All grades, \$3.75 \(\pi 3.85 \). Four car-loads of hogs shipped to New York to-day. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; shipments, 1,400. The market was steady. Prime, \$5.10@5.25; good, \$4.50@4.80; fair, \$3.50@4.25; common, \$1.50@

3.60. Lambs, \$426.50. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 4, 541; shipments, 959. Market steady. Natives, \$3.30 & 3.40; steers, \$1.50 & 2.30; stockers and

feeders, \$2.03.

Hogs-Receipts, 8,679; shipments, none. The market was 212.05c lower. Everything \$1.4712.00 Sheep—Receipts, 1,017; shipments, 358. The market was steady. Good to choice muttons, \$3.80@5; stockers and feeders, \$3.25@4.60. BUFFALO, Dec. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 38 car-loads through and 70 car-loads for sale left

over. The market was dull at yesterday's Sheep and Lambs--Receipts, 17 car-loads through and 9 car-loads for sale. The market was steady and unchanged.

Hogs--Receipts, 7 car-loads through and 30 car-loads for sale. The market was steady.

INDIANAPOLIS MARKETS.

Trade Slow, Prices Steady, and an Easy Money Market Cover the Local Situation.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 17. In all departments trade begins to drag a little, as usual, with the near approach of the holidays. In prices there were no iniportant changes. Sugars are easy at the reduction of Monday. Coffee and canned goods carry a firm tone, with a better inquiry for the latter. Dry goods men and boot and shoe-dealers report but few buyers in, and are spending their time taking account of stock and footing up the business of the year, now so near its close. The produce markets present some activity.
Eggs and poultry, as well as game, are in
good supply, and prices ruling easier, but
not quotably lower. Receipts of apples
have been large the last week, and choice ones are 25 to 50 cents a barrel lower than a week ago. Irish and sweet potatoes and cranberries are all firmer, on a better de-mand and lighter receipts. The iron mer-chants and dealers in hardware and tinners' supplies all report their business as better than at the corresponding period last year, which is doubtless due to the boom in the iron markets. The flour market is active; export demand especially good, but prices have not advanced with the increased demand. A good deal of activity is noticeable in the hide market, but the efforts to advance prices fail. The provision market is quiet at the range of

prices given. On the Produce Exchange, to-day, the butter market was unchanged. Eggs, 2012 tendency of demand toward quiet at this time and unfavorable weather, business to-day in dry goods was quite moderate with both agents and unfavorable weather, business to-day in next two weeks. The few who go on 'Change do next two weeks. The few who go on 'Change do not seem to want either cereal; if they do they do not seem to want either cereal; if they do they do

Corn—No. 1 white, 35 lge; No. 2 white, 35c; white mixed, 34 lg@35c; No. 3 white, new, 30 % 31 lge; No. 4 white, new, 29c; No. 2 yellow, 33c; No. 2 mixed, 33c; No. 3 mixed, new, 29 lg@30c; No. 4 mixed, 27 lg@28c; ear. 26c.
Oate—No. 2 white, 24c; No. 3 white, 22 @22 lge; No. 2 mixed, 21 4 721 9c; rejected, 18 7 19 9c.

Bran-Local dealers are bidding \$8.50. Shippers bidding \$7.50 8.

Hay-Timothy, choice, \$11; No. 1, \$10.50; No. 2, \$828.50. Prairie-No. 1, \$6.25 a7; Iowa, \$8.50. Straw, \$4 per ton.

> Jobbing-Trade Price List. CANNED GOODS.

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches—Standard 3-pound, \$2.25@2.50; 3-pound seconds, \$1.65@1.75. Miscellaneous—Blackberries, 2-pound, 80@90c; raspberries, 2-pound, \$1.15@1.30; pineapple, standard, 2-pound, \$1.40@2.50; seconds, 2-pound, \$1.10@1.20; cove oysters, 1-pound, full weight, \$1.05@1.10; light, 65@75c; 2-pound, full, \$1.90@2.00; light, \$1.10@1.15; string beans, 85@95c; Lima beans, \$1.20@1.30; peas, marrowfat, \$1.20@1.40; small, \$1.50@1.75; lobsters, \$1.85@2; red cherries, 95c@1.10; strawberries, \$1.20@1.30; salmon (Bs), \$1.90@2.50. COAL AND COKE.

Anthracite, \$6.75@7 & ton; Jackson lump, \$4 & ton; nut, \$3.50; Brazil block, \$3.50 & ton; nut, \$3.75; Raymond and Winifrede, \$4 & ton; nut, \$3.75; Raymond and Winifrede, \$4 & ton; nut, \$3.75; Duggar lump, \$3.25 & ton; nut, \$2.75; Island City lump, \$3.25 & ton; nut, \$3; Highland lump, \$3 & ton; nut, \$2.50; Piedmont and Blossburg, \$5 & ton; Indiana cannel, \$5 & ton; gas-house coke, 13c & bu, or \$3.25 & load; crushed coke, 14c & bu, or \$3.50 & load.

DRUGS.

Alcohol. \$2.22\darkappa 2.30; asafætida, 15\darkappa 20c; alum, 4\darkappa 5c; camphor, 30\darkappa 33c; cochineal, 50\darkappa 55c; chloroform, 38\darkappa 40c; coperas, bris, \$3\darkappa 2.50; cream tartar, pure, 30\darkappa 35c; indigo, 80\darkappa 81c; licorice, Calab., genuine, 30\darkappa 45c; magnesia, carb., 2-oz, 25\darkappa 35c; morphine, P. & W., \$\darkappa oz, \$2.90; madder, 12\darkappa 14c; oil, castor, \$\darkappa \text{pal.} \darkappa 1.25. \darkappa 1.30; oil, berkamot, \$\darkappa \text{ b., \$3\darkappa 3.25; opium, \$3.25\darkappa 3.35; qui.ine, P. & W., \$\darkappa oz, 42\darkappa 47c; balsam copaiba, 60\darkappa 65c; soap, Castile, Fr., 12\darkappa 16c; soda, bicarb., 4\darkappa 6c; salts, Epsom, 4\darkappa 5c; sulphur, flour, 4\darkappa 6c; salts, Epsom, 4\darkappa 5c; sulphur, flour, 4\darkappa 6c; saltpeter, 8\darkappa 20c turpentine, 58\darkappa 62c; glycerine, 25\darkappa 30c; idodide potass., \$2.40\darkappa 2.50; bromide potass., 40\darkappa 42c; chlorate potash, 25c; borax, 10\darkappa 12c; cinchonidia, 12\darkappa 15c; carbolic acid. 45\darkappa 50c.

OILS-Linseed oil, raw, 59c \$\darkappa \text{gal; boiled, 62c; coal oil, legal test, 9\darkappa 14c; bank, 40c; best straits, 50c; Labrador, 60c; West Virginia, lubricating, 20\darkappa 30c; miners', 65c. Lard Oils, No. 1, 50\darkappa 5c; do, extra, 65\darkappa 70c. 50@55c; do, extra, 65@70c. White LEAD—Pure, 7c.

DRY GOODS. BLEACHED SHEETINGS—Blackstone AA, 74c; Ballou & Son, 7½c; Chestnut Hill, 6c; Cabot 4-4, 7½c; Chapman X, 6½c; Dwight Star S, 8¾c; Fruit of the Loom, 8¾c; Lonsdale, 8½c; Linwood, 8c; Masonville, 8¾c; New York Mills, 10½c; Our Own, 5¾c; Pepperell, 9-4, 22c; Pepperell, 10-4, 24c; Hills, 8c; Hope, 7¹2c; Knight's Cambric, 8c; Lonsdale Cambric, 10c; Whitinsville, 33-inch, 6¹2c; Wamsutta, 10¹2c.

BROWN SHEETING—Atlantic A, 7¹4c; Boott C, 6c; Agawam F, 5¹9c; Bedford R, 5c; Augusta, 5¹9c; Boott AL, 7c; Continental C, 6³4c; Dwight Star, 8c; Echo Lake, 6¹9c; Graniteville EE, 6¹9c; Lawrence LL, 5³4c; Pepperell E, 7¹4c; Pepperell R, 6³4c; Pepperell P-4, 20c; Pepperell 10-4, 22c; Utica 9-4, 22¹9c; Utica 10-4, 25c; Utica C, 4¹9c. GINGHAMS—Amoskeag, 6%c; Bates, 6%c; Gloucester, 6%c; Glasgow, 6c; Lancester, 6%c; Ranelman's, 7%c; Renfrew Madras, 8%c; Cumberland, 6c; White, 6%c; Bookfold, 9%c.

GRAIN BAGS—American, \$16.50; Atlantic, \$18; Franklinville, \$18; Lewistown, \$18; Ontario,

816.50; Stark A, \$21. PRIME CAMBRICS-Manville, 6c; S. S. & Son PRIME CAMBRICS—Manville, 6c; B. S. & Son 6c; Masonville, 6c; Garner, 6c.

PRINTS—American faucy, 6½c; Allen's faucy, 6½c; Allen's dark, 6c; Allen's pink, 6½c; Arnold's, 6½c; Berlin solid colors, 6c; Cocheco, 6½c; Conestoga, 6c; Dunnell's, 6c; Eddystone, 6½c; Hartel, 6c; Harmony, 5½c; Hamilton, 6½c; Greenwich, 5½c; Knickerbocker, 5½c; Mallory pink, 6½c; Prices on dress styles irregular; depends on pattern.

TICKINGS—A moskeng ACA, 12½c; Conestoga

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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES. APPLES-Choice, \$2,25@3 P brl; common, \$1 21.50; extra eating. \$3 23.50. CRANBERRIES—\$2.50 23.25 ₽ bu; \$8.50 29.00

SWEET POTATOES-Kentucky, \$2.75@3 P brl; Jersey, \$4@4.50 P brl; Indiana, \$1.50@1.75 P ONIONS-Silver skin, \$1.75 P brl; red, \$1.50 P brl: Spanish onions, \$1.25 \$\psi\$ box.
POTATOES-30@35c \$\psi\$ bu; \$1@1.25 per brl, in shipping order. CELERY-Choice, 40 250c a bunch; common,

FOREIGN FRUITS. Raisins, California London Layer, new, \$2.75@ 8.00 P box; California, loose, muscatelle 3-crown, 8.00 P box; California, loose, muscatelle 3-crown, \$2.22.25 P box; Valencia, new, 829c P is; citron, 24226c P is; currants, 627c P is. Bananas, \$1.2522.25 P bunch. Lemons—Messina, choice, \$4.2524.75 P box; fancy, \$525.50; Florida, \$3.7524. Oranges—Jamaicas, \$5.50 P brl; box, \$2.7523. Louisianas, \$424.50 per brl; Florida brights, \$2.75; russets, \$2.75 per box. Figs, 12214c. Prunes—Turkish, old, 4422c; new, 5252c.

GROCERIES. Bugars-Hards, 7% @77sc; confectioners' A. 718273sc; off A, 63427c; coffee A, 6582634c; white extra C, 638265sc; extra C, 618263sc; good yellows, 6261sc; fair yellows, 57826c; good yellows, 62613c; fair yellows, 57826c; common yellows, 5342578c.

COFFEES—Ordinary grades, 19220c; fair, 20221c; good, 21222c; prime, 22223c; strictly prime to choice, 23224c; fancy green and yellow, 2432253c; old government Java, 33323434c; ordinary Java, 291423014c; imitation Java, 27322834c. Roasted coffees, 1 15 packages, 2444c; Banner, 2414c; Lion, 2414c; Gates's Blended Java, 2414c; Arbuckle's, 2414c.

DRIED BEEF-9@10c. BEANS-Choice hand-picked navy, \$2.20@2.25 bu; medium hand-picked, \$2.15@2.20 MOLASSES AND SYRUPS-New Orleans molasses, fair to prime, 35@45e; choice, 45@55c. Syrups,

SHOT-\$1.15@1.20 \$\pi\$ bag for drop.

FLOUR SACKS—No. 1 drab 4 brl, \$33 \$\pi\$ 1,000;

brl, \$17; lighter weight, \$1 \$\pi\$ 1,000 less.

LEAD—612@7c for pressed bars. RICE-Louisiana, 547c. BALT-In car lots, 90c; small lots, \$1.00@1.05.

SPICES—Pepper, 19220c; allspice, 12215c; cloves, 2620c; cassia, 10212c; nutmegs, 802 85c P B.

WOODEN DISHES—Per 100, 1 B, 20c; 2 Bs, 25c; 3 ms, 30c; 5 ms, 40c. WRAPPING-PAPER-Light-weight straw, 24 03c # h; light-weight rag, 24 & 3c # h; heavy-weight straw, 1402c # h; heavy-weight rag, 24 & 3c # h; heavy-weight rag, 24 & 3c # h; Manilla, No. 1, 809c; No. 2, 54064c; print paper. No. 1, 607c; book paper, No. 3, 8, & C., 10011c; No. 2, 8, & C., 809c; No. 1, 8, & C., 74

WOODENWARE—No. 1 tubs, \$7.2527.50; No. 2 tubs, \$626.50; No. 3 tubs, \$5.2525.50; 3-hoop pails, \$1.6021.65; 2-hoop pails, \$1.4021.45; double washboards, \$222.75; common washboards, \$1.4021.85, clothes-pins, 50285c\$ box.

Twine—Hemp, 12218c \$\text{P}\$ is; wool, \$210c, flax, 20230c; paper; 18c; jute, 12215c; cotton; 16225c IRON AND STEEL.

Bar iron (rates), 222.20c: horse-shoe bar, 3c;
Norway rail rod, 8c; German steel plow-stabs, 4c;
American drill steel, 10212c; Banderson tool
steel, 16c; tire steel, 3c; spring steel, 5c; horseshoes, 7 keg, \$4.2524.50; mule's shoes, 7 keg,
\$5.2525.50; horse nails, 7 box, 8d, \$5; steel
nails, 10d and larger, \$2.50 7 keg; other sizes
at the usual advance; wire nails, \$3.20. 'TINNERS' SUPPLIES—Best brand charcoal tin, IC, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$7; IX, 10x14, 14x20 and 12x12, \$8.50æ9; IC, 14x20, roofing tin, \$5.75; IC, 20x28, \$11.50; block tin, in pige, 27c; in bars, 29c. Iron—27 B iron, 3½c; C iron, 5½c; galvanized, 60 per cent. discount. Sheet zire, 7c. Copper bottoms, 25c. Planished copper 30c. Solder, 16 @18c.

LEATHER, HIDES AND TALLOW. LEATHER-Oak sole, 28233c; hemlock sole 22@28c; harness, 26@30c; skirting, 30@34c; black bridle, \$ doz., \$50@55; fair bridle, \$60@78 \$ doz.; city kip, \$60@80; French kip, \$85@110; city calf-skins, 60c@\$1; French calf-skins, \$1@1.80. HIDES-No. 1 G. S. hides, 4122434c; No. 2 G. S. hides, 3234c; No. 1 green, 312c; No. 2 green

SHEEPSKINS-40@75c.
TALLOW-No. 1, 334@4c; No. 2, 314c.
GREASE-White, 4c; yellow, 3c; brown, 219c.
Horse Hides-\$2.

JOBBING PRICES-Smoked meats-Sugar-cured hams, 10 to 12 bs average, 11c; 15 bs average, 10%c; 17% bs average, 10%c; 20 bs average. 10c; 22 bs average, 9%c; Englished-cured breakfast bacon, light or medium, 10c; shoulders, 10 to 12 hs average, 7c; shoulders, 14 to 16 hs average, 64c; California hams, light or medium, 6c; dried beef hams and knuckle pieces, 9c; thin pieces, 7c. Bacon—Clear sides, 30 ms average, 74c; clear backs, medium average, 7c; clear bellies, medium weight, 74c. Dry-salt and Pickled Meats—Clear sides (unsmoked), 6 tc; clear backs (unsmoked), 6 tc; clear backs (unsmoked), 6 tc; clear backs (unsmoked), 6 tc; clear bellies (unsmoked), 7c; bean pork, \$\Phi\$ bri 200 ms, \$13.50; ham or rump pork, \$\Phi\$ bri 200 ms, \$10.00. Bologna—Skin, large or small, 6 tc; cloth, large or small, 6c. Lard—Pure winter leaf, kettle-rendered, in tierces, 7 tc; in 60-15 tubs, 7 tc; in one-half barrels, 77sc; in 50-m cans in 100-m cases, 7 tc; in 20-m cans in 80-m cases. in 100-m cases, 75-c; in 20-m cans in 80-m cases, in 100-fb cases, 7%c; in 20-fb cans in 80-fb cases, 7%c; in 10-fb cans in 60-fb cases, 7%c. Prime Leaf Lard—In tierces, 7c; prime leaf lard, in tubs, 60 fbs, 7%c. Hoosier Packing Company Lard—In tierces, 6%c; in 50-fb cans in 100-fb cases, 7c. Fresh Meats—Tenderioins, 13c; spare ribs, 5%c; saugage (link), 7%c; sausage (bulk), in 20-fb pails, 7c; trimmings, 5%c; pork loins (fat trimmed off), 7c. Wholesale Prices-Car-load lots -8. P. shoulders, 4c; short-rib sides, dry salt, 5-2c. Prime steam lard, 6-2c.
PRODUCE.

EGGs-Shippers paying 18c; selling from BUTTER-Fancy creamery, 22 @24c; fair creamery, 17@18c; fine dairy, 12c; good country, 10c, according to the condition in which it is per pound.
FEATHERS-Prime geese, 35c P B, mixed duck

BEESWAX-Dark, 18c; yellow, 20c. Wook-Tub-washed and picked, 33@35c; un-

washed medium and common grades, if in good order, 25c; burry and cotted, 17220c; fleecewashed, if light and in good order, 28230c; burry and unmerchantable, according to their

POULTRY—Hens, 54, 26c P th; young chickens, 54, 26c; hen turkers, 8c; toms, 526c; rocsters. 3c; geese, \$4.80, 5.40 P doz; ducks, 6c.

GAME — Prairie cluckens, \$4 per doz. Quails, \$1.25 per doz. Squirrels, 75c per doz. Rabbits, 40, 260c per doz; venison saddles, P th, 145

Clover—Red, choice, 60 m bu, \$3.25@3.75; English, choice, \$3.35@3.90; white, choice, \$7.40@7.75; alsike, \$6.50@7.00; alfalfa, choice, \$6.75@7.25. Timothy—Choice, 45 m bu, \$1.65@1.85. Blue-grass, fancy, 14 m bu, \$1.15@1.30. Orchard grass—Extra clean, 14 m bu, 90c@\$1.20. Red top—Choice, 14 P bu, 85c@\$1.00. Bird seed—Choice Sicily canary, 5@8c P m. Hemp, 3½@5c P m. Rape, 7@10c P m. Sunflower, 7½@10c P m.

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Real Estate Transfers. Instruments filed for record in the recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana, for the twentyfour hours ending at 5 P. M., Dec. 17, 1889, as furnished by Elliott & Butler, abstracters of titles, Hartford Block, 84 East Market street:

Charles A. Owen to Mary Zorniger, lot 73, in Purcell's subdivision of lots 14, 15 and 16, in Jones's addition... Sarah A. Berryman to Annie Wolf, lot 8, in Conarroe's subdivision of lot 48, in Fletcher's second Brookside addition...
Sophronia Stringer to S. P. Vaughn,
lots 66 and 67, in Shoemaker's southeast addition

Joan Goodnough to Esther A. Bristor, southeast half of lot 369, in Fletcher et al.'s subdivision of outlot 94, etc. Harry J. Milligan. trustee, to Rachel E. O'Banion, north half of lot 7, in

2,000.00 Fletcher, jr.'s northeast addition.... Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company to Sophia Greenwald, lot 41, in Moore's south addition..... Nelson R. Hughes to Charles Fleck-rammer, part of south half of west 500.00 half of southwest quarter of section

29, township 15, range 4, containing 5,40 acres.

Wm. Broderick, jr., to Louis Mueller, lot 206, in McCarty's subdivision of part of outlot 120.

Jay G. Voss to Joseph H. Clark, part of lots 17 and 18, in square 81..... 1,075.00 1,200.00 2,500.00 Conveyances, 9; consideration......\$8,550.00

Root-Pruning Fruit Trees.

Root-pruning acts like magic sometimes in bringing barren trees into a bearing state, especially when unfruitfulness is brought about by undue luxuriance. When trees are making very strong shoots they are found on examination to be making roots in proportion, and so long as this goes on fruit prospects are very much jeopardized. It is the small fibrous roots which command the formation of fruit spurs, and in some soils there is difficulty in maintaining a fruitful condition. In gardens where the surface is light and open, with a clayey subsoil, there is great tendency for the roots to go deep in search of moisture; especially if the aspect is at all open and windy. With soils of this description mulching is of considerable value, of no matter what kind so long as it creates and maintains moisture.

With large trees root-pruning should not be completed the first year, but a half circle, as it were, dug round at one time, leaving the remaining half until a subsequent season. It is important that when the work is in hand the ball of roots should be undermined quite up to the trunk or main stem, as large tap-roots frequently take a direct downward course, and if these are not severed the work done will not have the desired effect. The space be-neath the tree requires that the soil should be well trodden in, otherwise there is danger of its shrinking, which if the tree was unable to sink with it would leave a cavity and seriously interfere with root formation. Should the soil be at all dry it must, as the filling proceeds, be well watered, this serving to fill up crevices more effectually and quickly than when it is allowed to sink naturally. Moreover, it tends to sustain the tree under its surgical treatment. It is a very good plan, when trees are operated on at the roots, that the necessary pruning be done at the same time, so the demands on the roots may be correspondingly decreased, and there is also less surface open to the wind forces.

For a Christmas Dessert.

Ladies' Home Journal.

Christmas Cake.-Cream one pound of butter and sugar together, sift in one pound of flour, beat ten eggs separately and mix in. Blanch two pounds of almonds, seed one pound of raisins, and chop half a pound of citron. Grease a large cake pan, put in a layer of the cake batter, then a layer of the raisins, almonds and citron; continue until the pan is full, putting the batter on top. Bake in a moderate oven two hours. When cold, ice in fancy designs, and ornament with a wreath of holly.

Christmas Ginger Cakes.-Rub balf a pound of fresh butter into a scant pound of flour: beat four eggs, add one pound of pow-dered sugar, the grated peel of a lemon, and a tablespoonful of extract of ginger. Mix all together well. Roll thin, cut in small oval cakes, sift with powdered sugar, and bake in a slow oven until pale brown.

Santa Claus Cake. - Three cups of sugar, Santa Claus Cake.—Three cups of sugar, half a cup of butter, the whites of eight eggs, one pint of sifted flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, and a tablespoonful of rose water. Rub the butter and sugar to a cream, add the flour and baking powder, mix in a smooth batter, add a small teacup of sweet milk, and the flavoring, lastly stir in the stiffly-beaten whites of the eggs. Bake in jelly-cake pans. For filling make an icing of the beaten whites of four eggs, three cups of sugar flavored of four eggs, three cups of sugar flavored with vanilla-divide in half-in one portion mix a teacup of chopped almonds, in the other the same of finely-chopped figs. Spread alternately on the layers of cake. Ice the top in fancy using, and but in the center a little colored sugar figure of Santa Claus (which can be bought at the confectioner's.)

Household Hints.

your cake or meat will not burn.

Ammonia is better for washing windows If you will put a tin of water in the oven

If you will heat your knife you can cut hot bread or cake as smoothly as cold. A pair of bellows to blow the dust out of the corners makes sweeping of stairs easy. A small toy broom is handier for cleaning out corners and around a stove than a

Every thing that can vitiate the air of the cellar should be removed. The air of the cellar permeates the whole house; and especially when the windows and doors are closed, in winter, should the cellar be kept

clean and wholesome. A serious inconvenience often occurs at the shingles which surround brick chimneys. It may be easily cared by making a paste or mortar of tar and dry-sifted roaddust, and applying it with a trowel about four inches over the shingles. It will hard-en and form a perfect collar, lasting many

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